



Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (cancelled)
2. (cancelled)
3. (currently amended) A portable imaging system transportable by a user for scanning an image for later production of an image product, comprising:
 - (a) a first and second member movable between an open and closed position;
 - (b) a scanning area disposed in either the first or second member and accessible when the system is in the open position for receiving and scanning the image to produce a digital image;
 - (c) a memory for storing the digital image;
 - (d) a communication port adapted to transmit the digital image from the portable imaging system over a communications network to a device for later production of the image product from the digital image; and

The portable imaging system of Claim 1, further comprising an image input device adapted to collect information associated with the digital image having an opening for receiving a removable digital image media to enable digital image input at said opening from said digital image media.
4. (currently amended) A portable imaging system transportable by a user for scanning an image for later production of an image product, comprising:
 - (a) a first and second member movable between an open and closed position;
 - (b) a scanning area disposed in either the first or second member and accessible when the system is in the open position for receiving and scanning the image to produce a digital image;

(c) a memory for storing the digital image;

(d) a communication port adapted to transmit the digital image from the portable imaging system over a communications network to a device for later production of the image product from the digital image; and

The portable imaging system of Claim 1 an input device adapted to collect information associated with the digital image, and wherein the input device is a keyboard or a touchscreen display.

5. (cancelled)

6. (cancelled)

7. (currently amended) A portable imaging system transportable by a user for scanning an image for later production of an image product, comprising:

(a) a first and second member movable between an open and closed position;

(b) a scanning area disposed in either the first or second member and accessible when the system is in the open position for receiving and scanning the image to produce a digital image;

(c) a memory for storing the digital image;

(d) a communication port adapted to transmit the digital image from the portable imaging system over a communications network to a device for later production of the image product from the digital image; and

The portable imaging system of Claim 1, further comprising a display disposed in either the first or second member for displaying the digital image and for displaying an advertisement or instructional information displayable on the display when the system is in the open position.

8. (currently amended) A portable imaging system transportable by a user for scanning an image for later production of an image product, comprising:

(a) a first and second member movable between an open and closed position;

(b) a scanning area disposed in either the first or second member and accessible when the system is in the open position for receiving and scanning the image to produce a digital image;

(c) a memory for storing the digital image;

(d) a communication port adapted to transmit the digital image from the portable imaging system over a communications network to a device for later production of the image product from the digital image; and

~~The portable imaging system of Claim 1, further comprising a software for tracking information associated with the scanned digital image.~~

9. (cancelled)

10. (currently amended) A portable imaging system transportable by a user for scanning an image for later production of an image product, comprising:

(a) a first and second member movable between an open and closed position;

(b) a scanning area disposed in either the first or second member and accessible when the system is in the open position for receiving and scanning the image to produce a digital image;

(c) a memory for storing the digital image;

(d) a communication port adapted to transmit the digital image from the portable imaging system over a communications network to a device for later production of the image product from the digital image; and

~~The portable imaging system of Claim 1, further comprising a an audio input device for receiving audio information relating to the digital image.~~

11. (cancelled)

12. (currently amended) The portable imaging system of Claim 10, further comprising a second, redundant, memory to provide backup storage of the digital image to ensure the digital image is not lost.

13. (cancelled)

14. (cancelled)

15. (cancelled)

16. (cancelled)

17. (currently amended) A portable image capture device transportable by a user ~~between a plurality locations~~ for scanning an original image for later production of an image product, comprising:

a first and second member movable between an open and closed position;

a scanning area disposed in either the first or second member and accessible when the system is in the open position for receiving and scanning the image to produce a digital image;

a modulated light source for illuminating the original image, said modulated light source functioning as a display when the portable image capture device is in the open position and also functioning as a light source when the portable image capture device is in the closed position;

~~a memory disposed within the base member~~ for storing the digital image; and

a communications means adapted to transmit the digital image stored in the memory to an image producing device for production of the image product ~~comprising~~ from the digital image.

18. (cancelled)

19. (cancelled)

20. (cancelled)

21. (cancelled)